

Western Drilling Co.-Valen Federal  
NW/4-SE/4 Sec. 31-38N-5W

43

P-W

16

County Mohave  
Area \_\_\_\_\_  
Lease No. AR 015 942

Well Name Western Drilling Company *Valer Oil Co.* ~~Valer Oil Co.~~ #1 Federal

Location NW SE Sec 31 Twp 38N Range 5W Footage 1980 FSL 1980 FEL  
Elev 5050' Gr \_\_\_\_\_ KB Date 7-26-57 ~~Completed~~ 6-13-58 Total 4663'  
Abandon 3-7-62 Depth 4663'  
*4666 per Amstrat log*

Contractor Aldridge - Stroud, Inc.

Drilled by Rotary X  
Cable Tool \_\_\_\_\_

Casing Size	Depth	Cement	Production Horizon
<u>13 3/8"</u>	<u>60'</u>	_____	_____
<u>8 5/8"</u>	<u>2912'</u>	_____	<u>Initial Production</u> <u>D &amp; A</u>
<u>7"</u>	<u>3730'</u>	_____	_____

REMARKS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Elec \_\_\_\_\_  
Logs \_\_\_\_\_  
Applic. \_\_\_\_\_  
to Plug X \_\_\_\_\_  
Plugging \_\_\_\_\_  
Record \_\_\_\_\_  
Completion \_\_\_\_\_  
Report \_\_\_\_\_

Sample Log + AmStrat  
Sample Descript. \_\_\_\_\_  
Sample Set Yes T-1190-P-603  
Core Analysis \_\_\_\_\_  
DSTs \_\_\_\_\_

Water well accepted by \_\_\_\_\_

Bond Co. \_\_\_\_\_  
& No. The Aetna Casualty & Surety Company Bond #18S 29881

Bond Am't \$ 2,500

Cancelled 10-20-65

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization Report X

Filing Receipt \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

Well Book X Plat Book X

API No. 02-015-05002

Loc. Plat X

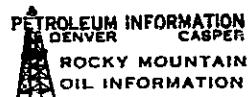
Dedication W/2 SE/4

Permit Number 43

Date Issued 7-23-57

*Sample 603  
1536*

ARIZONA  
MOHAVE COUNTY  
WILDCAT (W)



Twp 38n-5w  
Section 31  
nw se

OPR: Western Drilling; Valen Oil

WELL #: 1 Govt

ELEV: 5050 Gr

DSTS. & CORES:

SPUD: 7-25-57

COMPL: 5-14-58

\*TOPS: Log-~~MMK~~

No cores or tests.

TD: 4866

PB:

Coconino 940  
Hermit Sh 1010  
Mississippian 2815  
Devonian 3325  
Cambrian 3685  
Bright Angle Sh 4663

Oil fluor in Devonian @  
3450

CSG: 7" @ 3736  
13-3/8" @ 48  
PERF: 10-3/4" @ 791

PROD. ZONE:

INIT. PROD: D & A

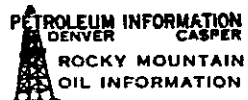
Contr: Aldridge & Stroud

CORRECTED CARD (2-7-61) - Corr TD from 4866; Log Top Cambrian from 3720; Add data.

Ariz 9-168150

\*Fe- Electric Logs on Rocky Mountain Wells—Ask Us!

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ARIZONA  
MOHAVE COUNTY  
WILDCAT (W)



Twp 38n-5w  
Section 31  
NW SE

OPR: Western Drilling; Valen Oil

WELL #: 1 Govt

ELEV:

DSTS. & CORES:

SPUD:

COMPL:

\*TOPS: ~~kgm~~ Sample

TD: 4666 PB:  
CSG: 8-5/8" @ 2911  
7" @ 3700

Cambrian 3720

Oil fluor in Devonian  
@ 3450.

PERF:

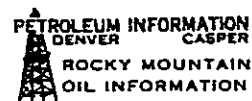
PROD. ZONE:

INIT. PROD: SD

Contr: Aldridge & Stroud

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ARIZONA  
MOHAVE COUNTY  
WILDCAT (W)



Twp 38n-5w  
Section 31  
nw se

OPR: Western Drilling; Valen Oil

WELL #: 1 Govt

ELEV: 5050 Gr  
\*TOPS: Log-SMMK

Coconino 940  
Hermit Sh 1010  
Mississippian 2815  
Devonian 3325  
Cambrian 3685  
Bright Angle Sh 4663

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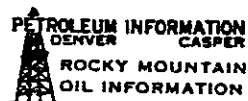
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## Colonial Homes, Inc.

**AFFILIATED:**

BEL AIRE SHOPPING CENTER  
BEL AIRE LOUNGE  
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COLONIAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY  
COLONIAL POOL COMPANY  
COLONIAL RENTALS  
HOBBS HOME FOR THE ELDERLY  
HOBBS INSURANCE AGENCY  
STOKES LUMBER COMPANY

Phone EX. { 3-6109  
              { 3-6100  
P. O. Box 1446  
HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

March 15, 1962

U. S. G. S.  
Farmington, New Mexico

Gentlemen:

On March 7, 1962, at Fredonia, Arizona,  
we pulled 1353 feet of 8 5/8 casing.

We filled the hole with heavy mud within  
50 feet of the top, then plugged it with cement  
to the top; replaced marker, cleared grounds and  
filled cellar with dirt.

Very truly yours,

*M. A. Shaw*

M. A. Shaw

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MAR 15 1962

U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

Lease No. 40 015942  
County Madison State Ind  
Company Madison Dr. Co.  
Well No. 1. H. A. Dr. Well  
Footage 12455 & 10000  
Sec. 31 T. 38N R. 5W  
Drig. PROD.: Gas Oil Oil  
Abd. ✓ T.A. ✓ S.I. ✓

OPERATIONS O.K.

Remarks:

fill cellar & pit.  
Cement marker.  
clean up location  
3 joints casing, thread  
protection, etc.

Little winter

Date: 5-10-60

Eng. Initial: P. J. M.

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Remarks:

OPERATIONS O.K.

OK. O.K.

Date: 5-28-63  
Eng. Initial: P. J. M.

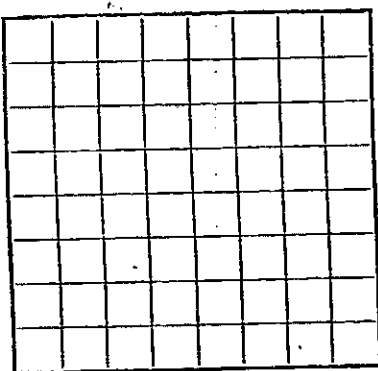
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Budget Bureau No. 42-R333.4  
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U. S. LAND OFFICE

SERIAL NUMBER Arizona 015942

LEASE OR PERMIT TO PROSPECT



LOCATE WELL CORRECTLY

UNITED STATES :  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

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MAY 26 1958

U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO

## LOG OF OIL OR GAS WELL

Company Western Dag Co Address Lubbock Texas  
Lessor or Tract Federal Field Wildcat State Arkansas  
Well No. 1 Sec. 31 T32N R6W Meridian County Hotter  
Location NW 1/4 of SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Line 31 of Range 6 of Section 31 Elevation 5050

The information given herewith is a complete and correct record of the well and all work done thereon so far as can be determined from all available records.

Signed W. J. HaysDate May 15 - 1958Title Tool Pusher

The summary on this page is for the condition of the well at above date.

Commenced drilling July 26, 1957 Finished drilling May 9, 1958OIL OR GAS SANDS OR ZONES  
(Denote gas by G)

No. 1, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ No. 4, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 2, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ No. 5, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 3, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ No. 6, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

## IMPORTANT WATER SANDS

No. 1, from 2035 to 2050 floor No. 3, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
No. 2, from 2887 to 2900 floor No. 4, from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

## CASING RECORD

Size casing	Weight per foot	Threads per inch	Make	Amount	Kind of shoe	Cut and pulled from	Perforated		Purpose
							From	To	
13 3/8	48	8	SAFETY	60	TEX PAT				SURFACE
8 1/2	32	8	SAFETY	17 1/2	TEX PAT				2035
8 1/2	32	8	SAFETY	37 3/4	TEX PAT				2050
7 1/2	23	8	SAFETY	37 3/4	TEX PAT				2887

## MUDDING AND CEMENTING RECORD

Size casing	Where set	Number sacks of cement	Method used	Mud gravity	Amount of mud used
13 3/8	60	8 50x			505x
8 1/2	29 1/2				505x
7 1/2	37 3/4				505x

MARK



FOLD

PLUGS AND ADAPTERS

Heaving plug—Material

Length

Depth set

Adapters—Material

Size

SHOOTING RECORD

Size	Shell used	Explosive used	Quantity	Date	Depth shot	Depth cleaned out

TOOLS USED

Rotary tools were used from    feet to    feet, and from 4663 feet to    feet

Cable tools were used from    feet to    feet, and from    feet to    feet

DATES

P&A, 19   Put to producing   , 19  

The production for the first 24 hours was    barrels of fluid of which   % was oil;   %  
emulsion;   % water; and   % sediment. Gravity, °Bé.   

If gas well, cu. ft. per 24 hours    Gallons gasoline per 1,000 cu. ft. of gas   

Rock pressure, lbs. per sq. in.   

EMPLOYEES

W.A. Tolbet, Driller

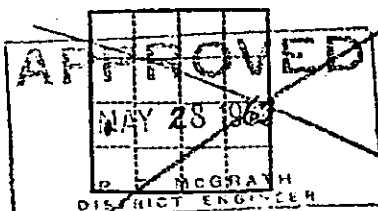
Chas. Miller, Driller

FORMATION RECORD

FROM-	TO-	TOTAL FEET	FORMATION	
0	80	80	Individed sh	7.11
80	940		151026 & Torowced	
940	1010		CORONINO Sand	PENNY
1010	1815		Hermit sh	
1815	2497		UPPER SUPR	
2497	2740		Lower Cellville	Donn
2740	2815		Lower SUPR	
2815	3375		Red wall lime	Miss
3375	3685		Temple Butte	Dev
3685	4185		Dark brown (Camb. Dol)	
4185	4625		UN named	
4625	4663		MUOV lime	Camb
			Bright Argk. shale	Camb

FORMATION RECORD—CONTINUED

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Unit

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SUNDRY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

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NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ABANDON WELL	

(INDICATE ABOVE BY CHECK MARK NATURE OF REPORT, NOTICE, OR OTHER DATA)

Federal May 20, 1958  
Well No. 1 is located 1980 ft. from S line and 1980 ft. from E line of sec 31  
NW 1/4 of Sec 31 38 N 5 W  
(U.S. Sec. and Sec. No.) (Twp.) (Range) (Meridian)  
Wild Cat Mohave Arizona  
(Field) (County or Subdivision) (State or Territory)

The elevation of the derrick floor above sea level is 5050 ft.

DETAILS OF WORK

(State names of and expected depths to objective sands; show sizes, weights, and lengths of proposed casings; indicate mudlogging jobs, cementing points, and all other important proposed work)

Filled w/ Cement 4663 - 4613 Mud TD  
3575. Cement 3575 - 3475 Mud TD 2950  
Cement 2950 - 2875. Cement 37' IN 8 3/8 CSY  
Bottom 8 3/8 CSY @ 2912 10 ft Cement TOP  
8 3/8 CSY Bull Plug w/ 4' Manton P.A. Screwed  
IN 8 3/8 CSY

7" CSY PULLED

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Company Western Drilling Co

Address 902 Lubbock Nat Bank Bldg

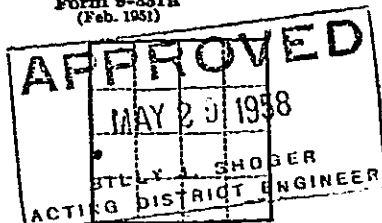
Lubbock Texas

By Kings Hays

Title Tool Pusher

For Address 22403d INC

Form 8-331a  
(Feb. 1951)



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Federal  
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NW 1/4 SW 1/4 31 38 N. 5W (Range) Arizona (State or Territory)  
Wild Cat (Field) Mohave (County or Subdivision) 5050 ft  
The elevation of the derrick floor above sea level is 5037 ft.

#### DETAILS OF WORK

(State names of and expected depths to objective sands; show sizes, weights, and lengths of proposed casings; indicate mudlogging jobs, cementing points, and all other important proposed work)

60' 13 3/8 Corrugated  
3730' 7" CSY Pukl.d  
2912" 8 7/8 Mud Water Shut off

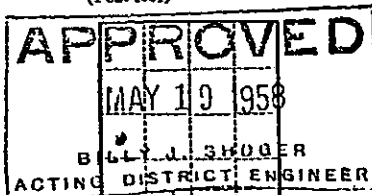
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Company Western Dry Co  
Address 902 Lubbock Nat Bldg  
Lubbock Texas

By Regal Hart  
Title Tool Pusher

For Alfred & Stroud Inc

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Federal

May 12 1958

Well No. 1 is located 1980 ft. from [S] line and 1980 ft. from [E] line of sec. 31

NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 31 38N 5W (Of Sec. and Sec. No.) (Twp.) (Range) (Meridian)  
Willcox (Field) Mohave (County or Subdivision) Arizona (State or Territory)

The elevation of the derrick floor above sea level is 5050 ft.

DETAILS OF WORK

(State names of and expected depths to objective sands; show sizes, weights, and lengths of proposed casings; indicate mudding jobs, cementing points, and all other important proposed work)

Cement 4663 TO 4613 mud 4613 - 3525 Cement  
3525 - 3425 mud 2450 Cement TO 2875  
Bottom 8 5/8 CS @ 2912 Cement 37 FT IN 8 5/8 CS  
10 ft Cement Plug TOP 8 5/8 CS BULL W/4"  
Wetter P/A Sealed IN TOP 8 5/8 CS  
Clean & correct location

Pull 7" CS 3730 FT

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Company Leoston Day Co

Address 902 Lubbock Nat. Bank Bldg

Lubbock Texas

By [Signature]

Title Tool Pusher

For Address & Street inc

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#40

June 10, 1958

Cloyd Swapp brought in samples for Western Drilling Co.  
31 - 38 N. - 5 W

Hole bottomed 4620± in Bright Angel (Swapp)  
Bottom is 30-40 ft. into Br. Ang.  
2600' of 8" in hole.

4289-4298  
4298-4300  
4300-4306  
4306-4308  
4308-4314  
4314-4321  
4321-4329  
4329-4334 4333-4340  
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4640-4646  
4646-4654  
4654-4658  
4658-4660  
4660-4662

Sample cuttings from:

Western Drilling Co. - Valen-Fed.#1

Sec. 31, T. 38 N., R. 5 W.  
Mohave County, Arizona

Form No. 9-1102  
UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Western Drilling Co. Inc.

OPERATOR Valin Oil & Gas Co. PERMITTEE

Federal ☒  
WELL No. 1

4600' or Cambrian

Change well

Field Wildcat

County Mohave

State Arizona

Sec. 31 T. 38N R. 5W

Subdivision NN SE  
NE SW

Location 1980 1/2 1980 1/2 E

Serial No. Ariz 015942

Ref. No. 5050 Elev. ft. and S.

Rig 4 Surface

Contractor Allredbe & Stroud

Casing 7" 3730 - pulled

Geology

12-13 - 60 TA

12-14 - 79 TS

12-15 - 29 1/2 BS

7" 3730 - pulled TBL

Kaibab 80' ap.

Permian 1010

Upper Supai 1815

Lower Supai 2740

Mississippian 2815

Devonian 3375

Cambrian 3625

Pre-Cambrian 4625

Subs. rept. rec. at

Int. to 1st plug 5/9/58

plug in bottom

plug 3325-3425

plug 2750-2850

plug 1500-1700

plug 700-1000

APPROVAL DATE 7/25/57

SPUD DATE 7/25/57

HEADACHE SHEET POSTED 5-15-58

MAPS POSTED 5-15-58

1ST PROD. (NO) (YES)

DISCOVERY (NO) (YES)

I W R (PRE-21-58) (FINAL)

7-24-57

2-21 050

2-7 250 no drilling

9-5 1150

-11 250

SEP 18 1957 302

9-25 602

10-16 770

-23 1015

20 1100

11-6 1510

11-13 1950

20 2275

26 2575

12-4 TD 2700 SD no pipe

12-11 2790

15 2820

1-1-58 TD 2890 SD

14 2938

-22 TD 2965

1-29 2970

2-5 2970

2-12 2970

19 2970

-26 2970

3-5 2970

-12 2970

4-7 2970

15 2970

25 2970

30 2970

5-7 2970

13 2970

4663 TD

5/13/58

7/25/57

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Phoenix, Arizona

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UNITED STATES

JUL 17 1957

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Lease No.

Unit

HOURS

# SUNDY NOTICES AND REPORTS ON WELLS

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JUL 25 1957

FARMINGTON, NEW MEXICO

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July 12, 1957

Well No. 1 is located 1980 ft. from  $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} N \\ S \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$  line and 1980 ft. from  $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} E \\ W \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$  line of sec. 31

SE/4 of Sec. 31  
(1/4 Sec. and Sec. No.)

38-N  
(Twp.)

5-W  
(Range)

G&SR&M  
(Meridian)

Wildcat  
(Field)

Mohave  
(County or Subdivision)

Arizona  
(State or Territory)

The elevation of the derrick floor above sea level is \_\_\_\_\_ ft. (To be supplied)

## DETAILS OF WORK

(State names of and expected depths to objective sands; show sizes, weights, and lengths of proposed casings; indicate mudding jobs, cementing points, and all other important proposed work)

Approximately 300' of 10 3/4" surface casing (32.75# H-40 A.P.I.) cemented with 200 sacks of cement, (Sufficient depth to seal off all fresh water).

Approximately 4600' of 5 1/2" or 7" oil string set on top of pay, properly cemented, to adequately protect the oil or gas bearing pay. (Exact length, weight and size of oil string and cementing program to be determined by depth and type of production encountered).

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U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

I understand that this plan of work must receive approval in writing by the Geological Survey before operations may be commenced.

Company WESTERN DRILLING COMPANY, INC.

Address 902 Lubbock National Bank Building

Lubbock, Texas

By

Title Attorney - Agent



STATE LAND DEPARTMENT  
STATE OF ARIZONA

Form OG 51

Form Prescribed Under Oil and Gas Conservation Act of 1951

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL NEW WELL

This notice and surety bond must be filed and permit  
must be granted before drilling begins

State Land Commissioner: Lubbock, Texas, ~~March~~ JULY 12, 1957

In compliance with Statewide Rule 3, notice is hereby given that it  
is our intention to commence the work of drilling well No. 1 Sec. 31,

Twp. 38-N, Rge. 5-W, G682 B.S.M., (Wildcat) Field,  
Mohave County.

Legal description of lease Sec. 31, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4,  
(attach map or plat to scale)  
E 1/2 W 1/2, E 1/2 all - 608.20 acres, Mohave County, Arizona, G682B&M.

Location of Well: 1980' from South and 1980' from East line of Sec. 31, Twp 38 N.  
(Give exact footage from section corners or other

Range 5 W,  
legal subdivisions or streets)

Proposed drilling depth 4600 feet. Acres in drilling unit 40.  
To be forwarded by Aetna Insurance and Casualty Company.  
Has surety bond been filed? - Is location a regular or exception to  
spacing rule? Regular

Elevation of ground above sea level 5050' feet. (to be supplied)

All depth measurements taken from top of Floor (Cable tool)  
(Derrick, floor, Rotary Table or  
which is 2 feet above the ground.  
Kelly Bushing)

PROPOSED CASING PROGRAM

Size of Casing	Inches A.P.I.	Weight	Grade & Type	Top	Bottom	Cementing Depths
(Surface) 10 3/4" 32.75# H-40 A.P.I. (Surface casing to be set and cemented through all fresh waters as specified by Rule 10 - exact depth to be determined).						
(Oil String) 5 1/2" or 7" (Length, weight and size of oil string and cementing to be determined by depth and type of production encountered in conformity, however, with Rule 11.)						

Intended Zone or Zones of completion:  
Name Heavy Limestone Formation or pre-Cambrian, whichever occurs first. Perforated Interval To be determined by formations encountered.

AFFIDAVIT:

I hereby certify under the penalty of perjury, that the information  
contained and statements herein made are to the best of my knowledge and  
belief, true, correct and complete.

WESTERN DRILLING COMPANY, INC.  
(Applicant)

By James A. Keis

Agent

Application approved this 23rd day of July, 19 57

Obed M. Larren  
State Land Commissioner

Permit No. 43

STATE LAND DEPARTMENT  
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL NEW WELL

Form Prescribed Under Oil and Gas Conservation Act of 1935

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO DRILL NEW WELL

This notice and surety bond must be filed and permit must be obtained before drilling begins.

State Land Commission

In compliance with Statute No. 3, notice is hereby given that in our intention to commence drilling operations on the following land:

Tract No. \_\_\_\_\_, Sec. \_\_\_\_\_, T. \_\_\_\_\_, R. \_\_\_\_\_, S. \_\_\_\_\_, County \_\_\_\_\_

Legal description of lease

Legal description of lease (if different from above)

Location of well (Give an of location from some known point or monument)

Proposed drilling depth \_\_\_\_\_ feet. Acres in drilling unit \_\_\_\_\_

Is location a regular or exception to the regular pattern? \_\_\_\_\_

Elevation of ground above sea level \_\_\_\_\_ feet

Which of the following is the most accurate description of the location of the well?

PROPOSED Casing Program

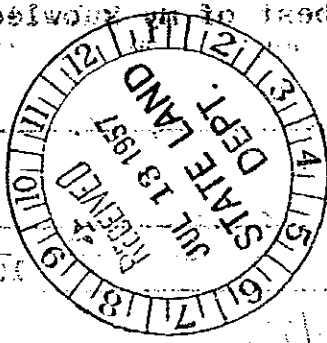
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Intended zone or zones of completion

Approximate perforated interval

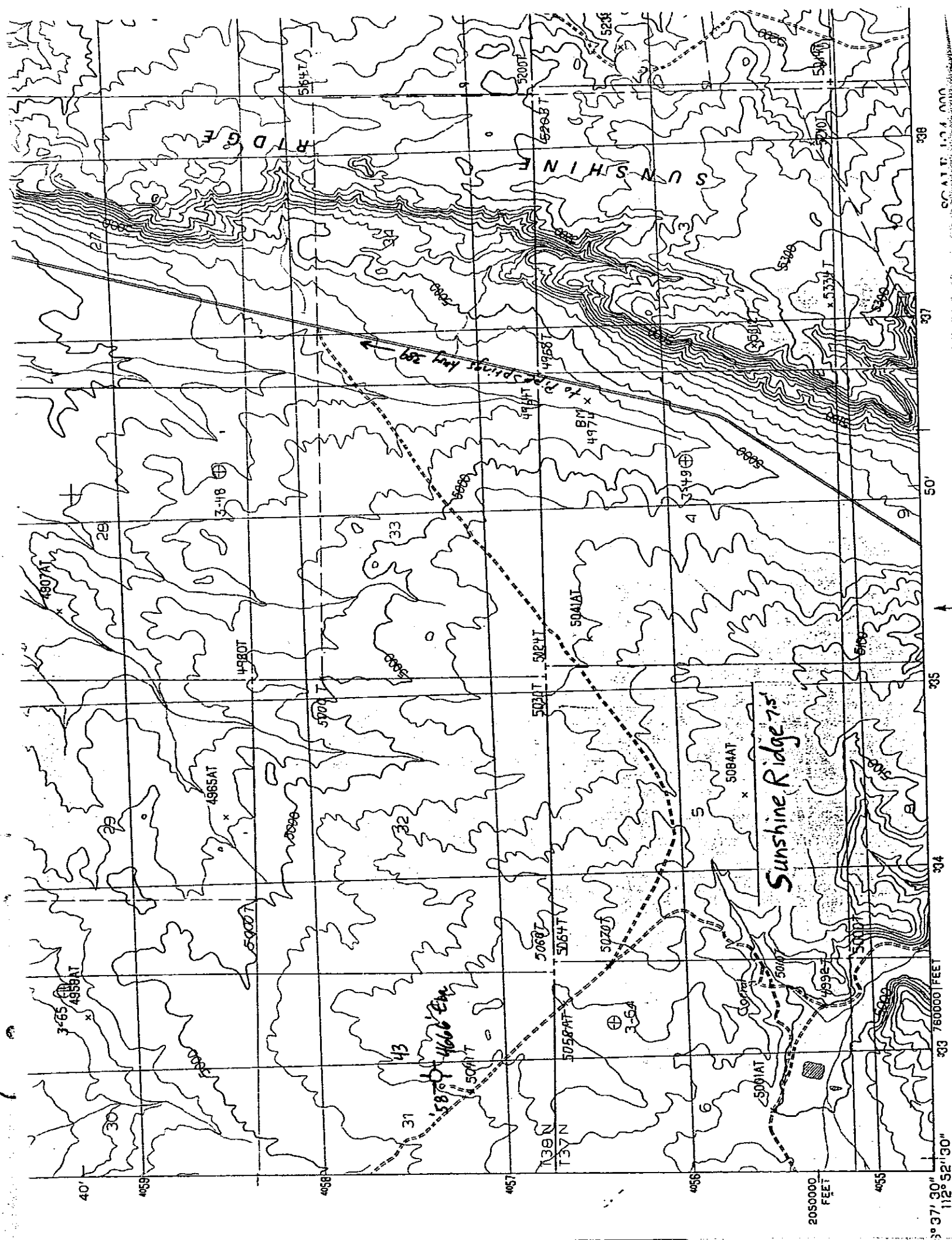
APPROVATION

I hereby certify under the penalty of perjury that the information contained herein is true and correct and complete.



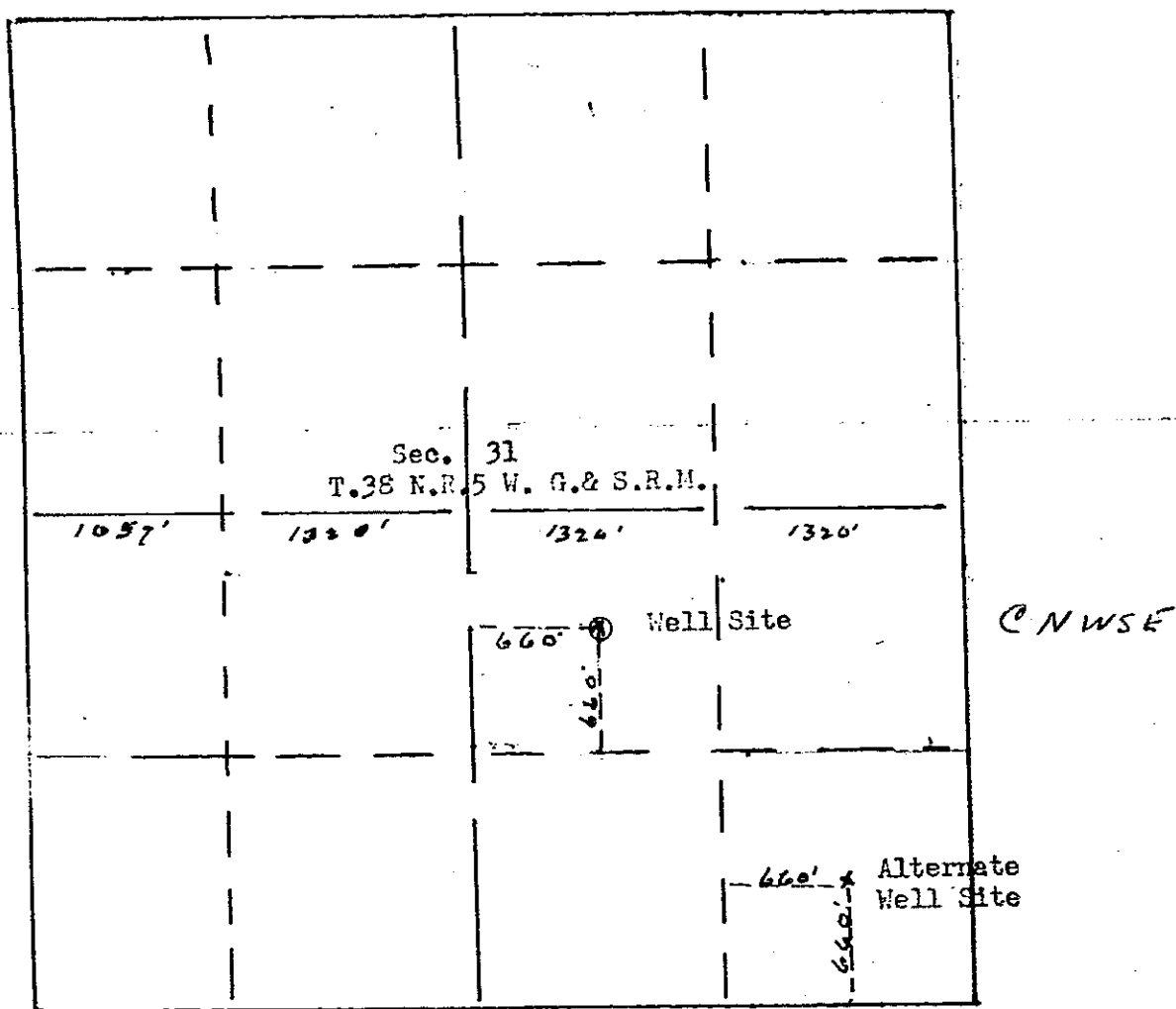
Application approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



SURVEYED PLAT SHOWING LOCATION FOR WESTERN DRUG CO. VALEN OIL CO. GOVERNMENT NO. 1

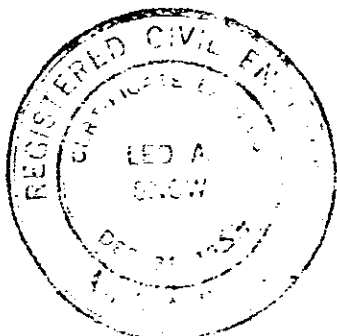
TWN 38 North, RANGE 5 WEST. MOHAVE CO. ARIZ.



Scale 1" = 1000'

Elevation is 5050' for Well Site.

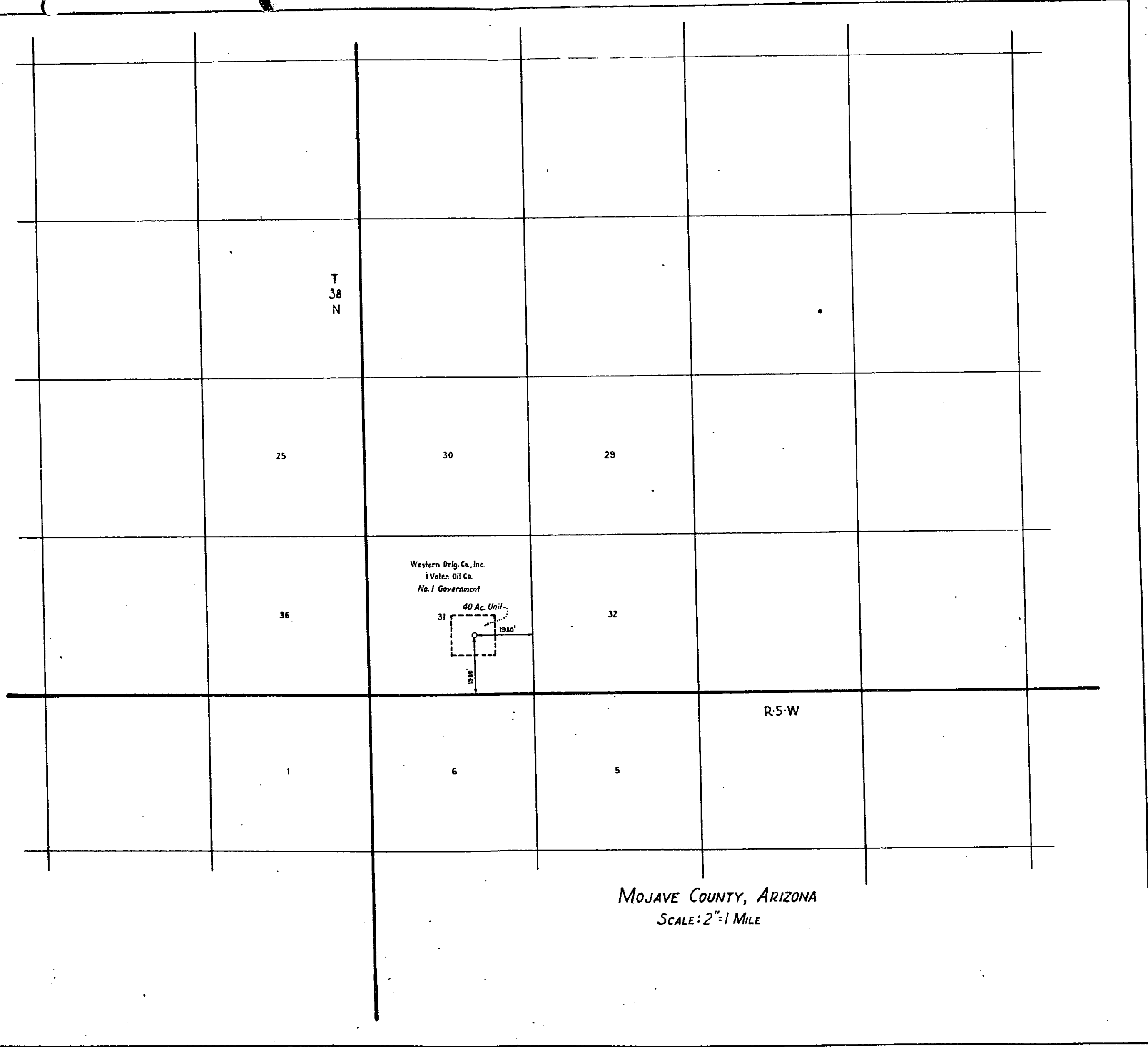
I, Leo A. Snow, a duly licensed engineer in the State of Arizona, Hereby certify that this map has been correctly drawn to the designated scale from field notes of a survey made by me on the 16th day of July, 1957, and that it represents the proposed well Site and an Alternate Well Site.



Leo A. Snow, License No. 1224

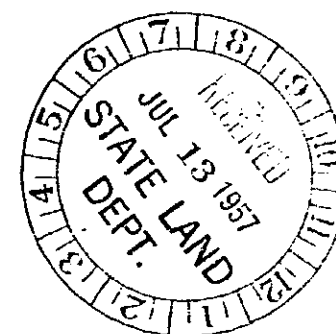


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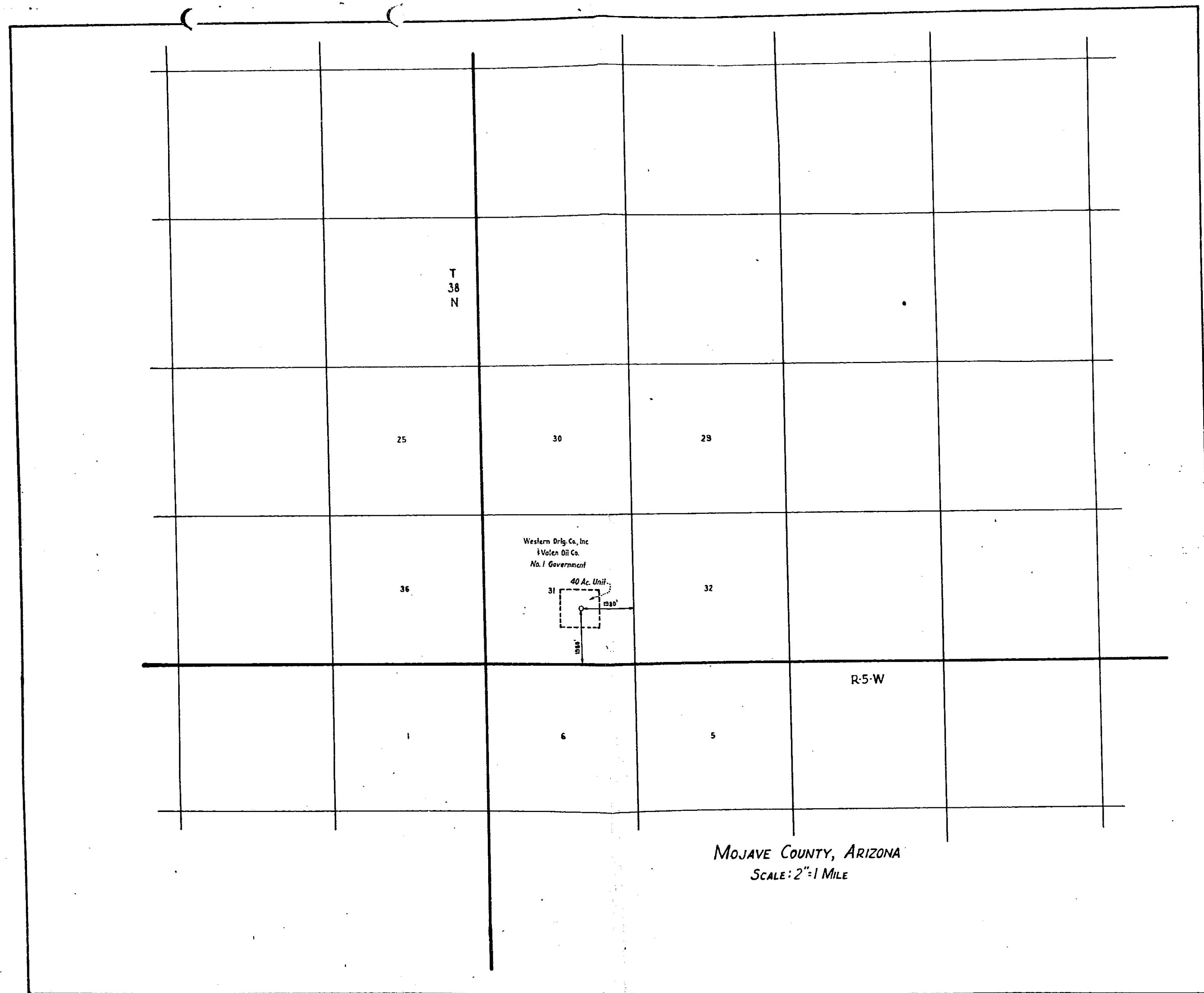
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31-38N-5W

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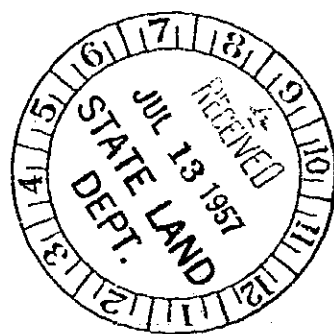
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Valen Federal



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Valen Federal  
NW/4-SW/4 Sec. 31-38N-5W

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RECORD OF OGCC MATERIAL TAKEN FROM OFFICE TO BE RETURNED  
15 boxes of samples to be shipped Fed-Ex  
as follows:

Description of Material:

43 Western Dts, S/N 603: ① 0-1064, ② 1064-2865, ③ 2865-4159, ④ 4159-4662

Western Oil & Minerals, S/N 608: ① 3-1250, ② 1250-2050, ③ 2050-2455

Picket #1 Pate Canyon, S/N 1271: ① 150-2000, ③ 2000-3595

Skelly #1 Fed-A, S/N 1388: ① 0-1400, ② 1400-2700, ③ 2700-4030

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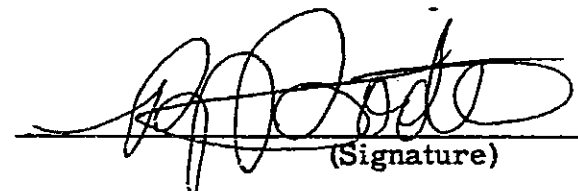
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\_\_\_\_\_, and whose phone number is \_\_\_\_\_

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19\_\_\_\_, and will return same to the OGCC office on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

19\_\_\_\_. Sample Policy attached.

  
(Signature)

Authorized by:

SK Rainey

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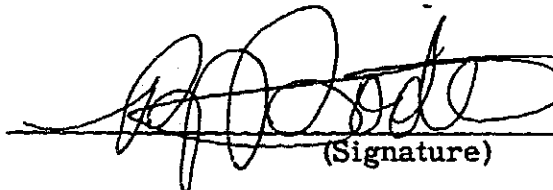
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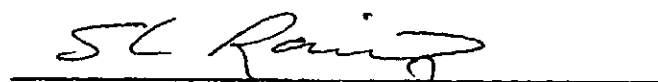
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(Signature)

Authorized by:



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Company ARIZONA GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Address 416 W CONGRESS

City TUCSON

State AZ

Zip 85701

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THE STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY  
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

DALLAS OFFICE

10TH FLOOR CORRIGAN TOWER BUILDING  
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201  
August 30, 1965

John Bannister  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
Room 202  
1624 West Adams  
Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Our Bond: 18 S 29881  
Amount: \$2500.00  
Principal: Western Drilling Company  
Covering Oil and Gas Well Located NW-4 SA-4  
31-38 N-5W, Mohave County  
Your File: 43

Dear Sir:

Per your request we attach a photo copy of the above captioned bond. You will note that it was signed by R. R. Anderson, Jr. Attorney in Fact. As before mentioned in our previous correspondence we cannot supply copy of power of attorney inasmuch as Mr. Anderson is no longer with our organization. Since leaving the organization of course all of his powers have been destroyed and revoked.

But for the purposes of your file here is the best that we can give you.

Should you have any questions do not hesitate to call upon us.

Yours very truly

*John R. Stork*  
Supervisor  
Bond Department

JS:bb

CANCELLED

DATE 10-31-65

**SPECIMEN COPY**

October 21, 1965

The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company  
10th Floor Corrigan Tower Building  
Dallas, Texas 75201

Attention: Mr. Derol Todd, Claim Department

Re: Western Drilling Co. #1 Valen Federal well  
NW/4SE/4 31-38N-5W, Mohave County, Arizona  
Our File 43  
Your Bond 18 S 29881

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 15, 1965 concerning captioned well.

Pursuant to the information contained in your letter, we have contacted U.S. Geological Survey in Farmington, New Mexico, and find that their records do show this well as being plugged and abandoned in accordance with our Rules and Regulations. Their office will furnish us with copies of their reports.

Inasmuch as you advised that Mr. M.A. Shaw, your contact as to this well, does not possess records and apparently would be unable to furnish us with the necessary information, this office feels that further efforts in this direction would prove burdensome and fruitless.

Therefore, this letter will constitute authority from this Commission to cancel your captioned bond, effective October 20, 1965.

We would like to express our appreciation for your efforts in this regard.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister  
Executive Secretary  
mr

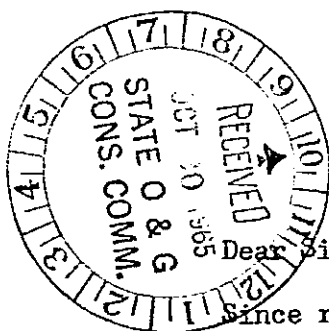
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HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

DALLAS OFFICE

10TH FLOOR CORRIGAN TOWER BUILDING  
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201

October 15, 1965

Mr. John Bannister, Executive Secretary  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
1624 West Adams  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007



Re: Western Drilling Company Number 1  
Valen Federal Well NW/4SE/4 31-38 N-52,  
Mohave County, Arizona  
Your File: 43  
Our Bond: 18 S 29881

Dear Sir:

Since receipt of your inquiry of September 14, 1965, we have made efforts to get in contact with Western Drilling Company at its last known address and have had our correspondence returned with the notation that it had not been a tenant of this building for several years. Copy of the correspondence was sent forward to Mr. M. A. Shaw, and we have received a phone call from his son, Malcolm Shaw in reply.

We have been advised by Mr. Shaw that his father had no connection whatever with the well in question except that as a stockholder of the defunct Embro Corporation, in the Spring of 1961 a letter had come to him concerning the necessity of plugging this Mohave County Well. We are told that Mr. Shaw took no action in this connection but a former employee of his got ahold of the correspondence and went up to the location and ran up a considerable number of bills in the name of Mr. Shaw in connection with the plugging of this well or related matters. The upshot of this situation is that there has been a lawsuit tried in which the Platco Corporation of New Mexico had brought suit and recovered from Mr. Shaw for the unpaid bills which were charged to his account by this former employee. This matter apparently has either gone up on appeal or appeal is pending in connection with it, and Malcolm Shaw presumes that out of this situation his father's name was connected with the well in question.

At any rate, we are advised that there are no logging records or plugging reports in the knowledge or possession of M. A. Shaw. However, since Malcolm Shaw is of the opinion or has the knowledge that this well has been plugged, we wish to inquire what alternate procedure or filing is necessary for us to obtain authority for the cancellation of our bond. It appears that some sort of

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Western Drilling Company

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inspection might be performed and an affidavit filed with your Commission to the effect that the well is in fact plugged at the present time, if this be true, so that the bond could be released.

We would greatly appreciate your further advices in connection with this matter with any suggestion as to what further action may be taken to effect the cancellation of our bond, if such is in order.

Yours sincerely

*Derol Todd*  
Supervisor  
Claim Department

Derol Todd:bb

October 21, 1965

U.S. Geological Survey  
P.O. Box 959  
Farmington, New Mexico

Attention: Mr. Richard B. Krah1

Re: Western Drilling Co. #1 Valen Federal well  
NW/4SE/4 31-38N-5W, Mohave County, Arizona  
Our File 43

Gentlemen:

We are returning herewith your file on captioned well. We have made a copy for our records.

We appreciate your cooperation very much, and if this office may ever be of service to you, please let us know.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister  
Executive Secretary  
mr  
enc

October 13, 1965

The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company  
10th Floor, Corrigan Tower Building  
Dallas, Texas 75201

Re: Western Drilling Co. #1 Valen Federal well  
NW/4SE/4 31-38N-5W, Mohave County, Arizona  
Our File 43  
Your Bond 18 S 29881

Gentlemen:

On September 14, 1965 we wrote to you concerning the captioned well.

Inasmuch as this Commission's requirements concerning our well completion reports and plugging reports have not been met, we will have no alternative but to order this well reopened and re-plugged in the event that the necessary information is not forthcoming.

It is not the desire of this Commission to create a hardship, but we must bring this well into compliance with our Rules and Regulations.

I again urge that these reports be secured and filed with this office at your earliest convenience. It is possible that U.S. Geological Survey, Farmington, New Mexico, may have the necessary records to show compliance with our Rules and Regulations.

Your cooperation will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister  
Executive Secretary  
JB

September 14, 1965

The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company  
10th Floor, Corrigan Tower Building  
Dallas, Texas 75201

Re: Western Drilling Co. #1 Valen Federal well  
NW/4SE/4 31-38N-52, Mohave County, Arizona  
Our File 43

Your Bond 18 8 29881

Gentlemen:

Upon reviewing our files on the captioned well we note that this well has probably been plugged in accordance with our Rules and Regulations. However, we do not have the necessary Well Completion Report nor Plugging Report to verify this information. At such time as these reports have been properly completed and filed with this office, your bond may be released.

In addition to the required forms, should any logs have been run on this well, copies should also be filed with this Commission.

The bond originally covered the operations of Western Drilling Co. Inc., whose address was 902 Lubbock National Bank Building, Lubbock, Texas. Apparently operations of this well and the plugging thereof were later assumed by Mr. M.A. Shaw. Our records reflect that his address is Colonial Homes, Inc., P.O. Box 1466, Hobbs, New Mexico or 5335 Rock Cliff Place, Dallas, Texas. We have attempted to contact both Western Drilling and Mr. Shaw unsuccessfully.

Your cooperation in securing compliance with our Rules and Regulations and in supplying us with the requested information is very much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister  
Executive Secretary  
mr

August 12, 1965

The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company  
10th Floor Corrigan Tower Building  
Dallas, Texas 75201

Attention: Mr. John R. Stockton

Re: Your Bond 18 S 29881, Amount \$2,500  
Principal: Western Drilling Company  
Covering oil and gas well located  
NW/4SE/4 31-38N-5W, Mohave County, Arizona  
Our File 43

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 9, 1965 wherein you state copy of the applicable power of attorney for the captioned bond is not available.

As you are aware, a bond once filed with this Commission must remain in force and cannot be released without written permission of this Commission. Inasmuch as this well has not been plugged, according to our records, this bond cannot be released.

We are required to have copies of all activities bonds on file. Our copy of this bond is "lost, strayed, or stolen." Hence, we request that you forward us a copy of it at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister  
Executive Secretary  
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THE AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
THE STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY  
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

DALLAS OFFICE

10TH FLOOR CORRIGAN TOWER BUILDING  
DALLAS, TEXAS 75201

August 9, 1965

John Bannister  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
Room 202, 1624 W. Adams  
Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Our Bond 18 S 29881  
Amount - \$2,500.00  
Principal - Western Drilling  
Company  
Covering Oil and Gas Well  
Located NW-4 SA-4  
31-38N-5W, Mohave County  
Your File - 43

Dear Sir:

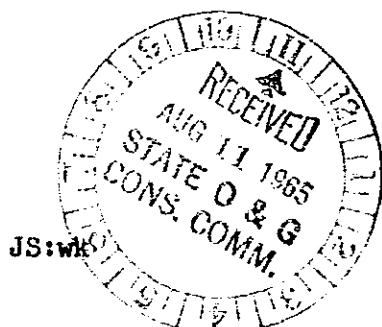
We have your letter dated August 4, requesting a copy of the above captioned bond together with the applicable power of attorney. It will be impossible for us to send the bond with the applicable power of attorney inasmuch as the gentleman who signed the bond back in 1957 is no longer with our company and, consequently, there are no longer any outstanding powers of attorney for him.

It is our understanding that all work had been done on the plugging of this well.

Please advise what are your wishes inasmuch as we have run into this problem on the power of attorney.

Yours very truly,

*John R. Stockton*  
Supervisor,  
Bond Department



AFFILIATES OF AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

July 2, 1965

The Aetna Casualty & Surety Company  
10th Floor Corrigan Tower Bldg.  
Dallas 1, Texas

*3033 N Central Ave  
Phoenix*

Re: Your Bond #18 S 29 881, Amount \$2,500, Principal:  
Western Drilling Company, Covering oil and gas well  
located NW/4-SE/4 31-T38N-R5W, Mohave County, Arizona  
Permit 43

Gentlemen:

Would you please furnish this office with a copy of the  
captioned bond, together with the applicable power-of-  
attorney.

Your earliest cooperation is very much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister  
Executive Secretary  
cb

June 4, 1965

Mr. M. A. Shaw  
Colonial Homes, Inc.  
P. O. Box 1446  
Hobbs, New Mexico

Re: ~~Aetna Casualty & Surety Company~~, Amount \$2,500 (Principal: Western  
Covering oil and gas well located NW/4-SE/4-31-T38N-R5W Drilling  
Mohave County, Arizona Co.)  
Permit 43

Gentlemen:

Would you please furnish this office with a copy of the approved captioned bond, together with the applicable power-of-attorney.

Your earliest cooperation is very much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

John Bannister  
Executive Secretary  
cb



April 19, 1962

Mr. M. A. Shaw  
Colonial Homes, Inc.  
P. O. Box 1446  
Hobbs, New Mexico

Dear Mr. Shaw:

Your letter of March 3, 1962 is herewith acknowledged.

We are very pleased that you have completed your well plugging activities in a satisfactory manner. We are desirous of releasing your bond and will do so if you will complete the completion forms which are herewith enclosed.

As soon as we receive your forms properly executed, we will notify your bonding house to release the bond.

Yours very truly,

D. A. Jerome  
Executive Secretary

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Form No. 15A - Application to Abandon and Plug  
Form No. P-15- Plugging Record

Colonial Homes, Inc.

Phone EX. { 3-6109  
3-6100

P. O. Box 1446

HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

April 16, 1962

Mr. P. T. McGrath  
District Engineer  
United States Dept. of the Int.  
Box 959  
Farmington, New Mexico

Dear Mr. McGrath:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated  
March 20, 1962.

The following is the information you requested:

Valen Oil Co. Gov. No. 1 Well  
Section 31  
T-38-N, R-5-W, Mohave County, Arizona  
Taroweap Block  
Permit #43, Western Drilling Co., Inc.

Please advise if there is further information needed.

Very truly yours,

*M. A. Shaw*  
M. A. SHAW

MAS:jp

## Colonial Homes, Inc.

Phone EX. { 3-6109  
              { 3-6100

P. O. Box 1446

HOBBS, NEW MEXICO

March 3, 1962

Mr. Brooks Pierce  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
3500 N. Central  
Phoenix 12, Arizona

Dear Mr. Pierce:

This will advise you that we will have a crew working on the well known as Western Drilling Company, Mohave #1, which is about 35 miles southwest of Fredonia, Arizona, on Monday and Tuesday of this week. They expect to be ready to plug the well Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning of this coming week. If it is possible for you to send someone by there and give them information as to how you want it plugged, we would appreciate it.

My truckdriver, Mr. George Hunsucker, will be staying at the Fredonia Motel in Fredonia, Arizona and will be happy to relay any message to the well or do anything to cooperate with you.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your organization for the courtesies you have shown us in our troubles with this well and if ever we can return the favor, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Very truly yours,

*M. A. Shaw*

M. A. SHAW

MAS:jp

*W. J. Shaw*

January 8, 1962

Mr. Brook Pierce  
Oil & Gas Conservation Commission  
3500 North Central  
Phoenix 12, Arizona

Dear Mr. Pierce:

First of all, I want to apologize for being so late in answering your letter.

At the present time, we have bills for approximately \$3,300.00 for money spent on the Mohave well in an attempt to get in a condition to plug, and have not completed it yet.

Ike McKinney of McCullough Tool Company, Farmington, New Mexico, is trying to find someone with the necessary equipment to complete this well. I have called Ike several times in the last few weeks and he is still trying to make some negotiation to have this done. His telephone number is 325-2820 in Farmington, New Mexico. I will keep you informed as to our progress on this project, and I appreciate very much your patience with us.

Very truly yours,

*M. A. Shaw*

M. A. SHAW

P.O. Box 1446

Albbs, New Mexico

MAS:lp

December 7, 1961

The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company  
10th Floor Corrigan Tower Building  
Dallas 1, Texas

Attention: Mr. Vernon T. Haskins

Re: Bond for Western Drilling Co - Valen Federal #1  
Sec. 31, T38N, T5W, Mohave County

Gentlemen:

This has reference to your letter of November 17 directed to the State Land Department regarding the bond covering the above described test. This letter was forwarded to this Commission for processing.

I would like to advise that the operator is in the process of plugging this hole. I was on the location for several days and they were unsuccessful in the previous attempts; however, they plan to move in different equipment and plug this test in the near future.

This office is unable to authorize the cancellation of this bond until such time that all work has been done in accordance with our rules and regulations. When this is done, I will notify you immediately.

Yours very truly,

Brooks Pierce  
Petroleum Geologist

BP:hme

December 7, 1961

Mr. M. A. Shaw  
5335 Rockcliff Place  
Dallas 9, Texas

Re: Western Drilling Co. Inc. - Valen Federal #1  
Sec. 31, T38N, R5W, Mohave County

Dear Mr. Shaw:

I have not heard from your office in regard to the plugging of the above described test since I left the north country about the middle of last month.

I was sorry that Bob Long was unsuccessful in recovering the casing; however, he was up against a situation that was most difficult. I mean by that, the unit operator did not perform so that McCullough Service Company could part the pipe.

Could you at this time give me some idea as to what your plans are in regard to completing the job. If I may be of any assistance in any way, I would be glad to do so; provided, it was within my scope. I shall be glad to hear from you.

Yours very truly,

Brooks Pierce  
Petroleum Geologist

RP:hme



OFFICE OF  
**State Land Department**  
STATE OF ARIZONA  
Phoenix, Arizona

OBED M. LASSEN  
STATE LAND COMMISSIONER

November 20, 1961

The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company  
10th Floor Corrigan Tower Building  
Dallas 1, Texas

ATTENTION: Vernon J. Haskins,  
Surety Representative

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your inquiry of November 17, 1961 in regard to your desire to cancel your oil and gas drilling bond, No. 18 S 29,881, principal, Western Drilling Co., Inc., Lubbock, Texas.

The Oil and Gas Conservation function and responsibilities of the State Land Department were transferred by Legislative Act effective July 1, 1959 to the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, whose offices are located at:

Suite 221, 3500 No. Central Ave.  
Phoenix, Arizona

Your inquiry is being forwarded to them for their action.

Very truly yours,

F. C. RYAN, Supervisor  
Mineral, Oil & Gas  
Production Division

FCR:yda  
cc: D. A. Jerome,  
Executive Sec. ✓  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

THE AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
THE STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY  
HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

DALLAS OFFICE

10TH FLOOR CORRIGAN TOWER BUILDING  
DALLAS 1, TEXAS

November 17, 1961

State Land Department  
Oil and Gas Conservation Division  
Capitol Annex,  
Phoenix, Arizona

Re: Bond For Drilling Oil  
and Gas Well - 18 S 29,881  
Western Drilling Co., Inc.  
Lubbock, Texas

Gentlemen:

The above captioned bond is a bond for drilling oil and gas wells in the amount of \$2,500. This is a continuous bond and the form did not provide for written cancellation notice. In this connection it would be greatly appreciated if you would give us your authority to cancel this bond, or please advise the necessary steps in obtaining cancellation on this bond.

Thank you very much for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

*Harmon J. Haskins*  
Surety Representative

VH:p



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Admission Thursday

Mr. Richard Cecil

Leahurst, N. York

Walter A. Drilling

603 Broadway.

W. Butler 5-01 61

5-00 - 7.5

3-00 - 5.00

**THE AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY**

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

AFFILIATE OF  
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY  
THE STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

PHOENIX OFFICE  
3033 NO. CENTRAL AVE.  
AMHERST 4-2223

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

October 20, 1961

OIL and GAS CONSERVATION COMMISSION  
Suite 221 - 3500 North Central Avenue  
Phoenix, Arizona

RE: L-18 SC 777  
WESTERN DRILLING CO., INC.  
LUBBOCK, TEXAS  
OBLIGEE - STATE OF ARIZONA

ATTENTION: D. A. JEROME,  
Executive Secretary

Dear Mr. Jerome:

This will confirm our telephonic conversation concerning the above matter.

We are advised that Western Drilling, or Mr. Shaw, plan to remedy deficiencies listed in the affidavit. If the deficiencies are not remedied within a reasonable period of time, responsibility will be assumed in accordance with the bond conditions.

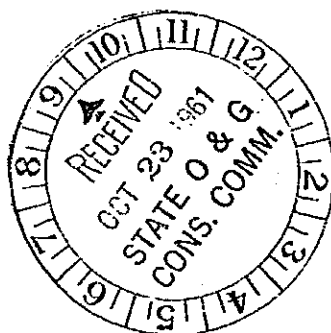
We respectfully request a continuance on the hearing of this matter, from 10-25-61.

Very truly yours,



T. TUNIS, Regional Supervisor

TT/mv



Send +  
Return to  
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October 13, 1961

Aetna Casualty and Surety Company  
510 Myrick Building  
Lubbock, Texas

Attention Mr. James R. Jones, Regional Supervisor.

Dear Mr. Jones:

This letter is with reference to our conversation today in my office, and also our telephone conversation with Mr. M. A. Shaw of Hobbs, New Mexico, relative to the Drilling Bond No. 18 & 29,881 covering Drilling Permit No. 43 issued in the name of Western Drilling Company on a well drilled by E. P. Campbell of Lubbock, Texas, and M. A. Shaw of Hobbs, New Mexico and Dallas, Texas, approximately 20 miles southwest of Fredonia, Arizona.

We have been notified of certain failures to comply with our drilling bond, and in our telephone conversation today with Mr. Shaw, he informs us that the casing has not been pulled from the well and the surface casing has not been cemented. Mr. Shaw states that he has temporarily abandoned the well with anticipation at a future date of either moving a rig back and deepening the well or plugging and abandoning it.

Mr. Shaw also told us that his plans are to go to Arizona Monday and that he would be in touch with Mr. Cloyd Swapps at Cedar City, Utah, and make arrangements to comply with all of the deficiencies and pull the balance of the casing out of the well. He also agreed to be in touch with Mr. D. A. Jarome, Oil Conservation Commission, 3500 North Central, Suite 221, Phoenix 12, Arizona, and talk with Mr. Jarome as to the status of the well before the hearing, if he can get the well abandoned at that time. If Mr. Shaw does not comply with the specifications as set out in our telephone conversation, Western Drilling Company will immediately take action to see that the deficiencies are handled and will in turn look to Mr. Shaw for compensation for any money so spent.

Yours very truly,

WESTERN DRILLING COMPANY, INC.

*Keith Cecil*  
Keith Cecil

KC:wa

cc: Mr. M. A. Shaw  
Dallas, Texas, and  
Hobbs, New Mexico  
✓ Mr. D. A. Jarome  
Phoenix, Arizona  
Mr. Jarome Chamberlain  
Dallas, Texas

To: Mr. D. A. Jerome

Enclosed for your information.

ac.

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THE AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
THE STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY  
HARTFORD 13, CONNECTICUT

October 11, 1961

Mr. R. Keith Walden, Chairman  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
3500 North Central - Suite 221  
Phoenix 12, Arizona

Dear Mr. Walden:

Bond 18 S 29861 - Western Drilling Company, Inc.

This will acknowledge your formal notice and demand with which you enclose affidavit in support of request to appear by B. A. Jerome, Executive Secretary.

We are referring this matter to Theodore Tunis, Regional Supervisor, in charge of our Office located in the Mayer-Central Building, 5093 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona, who will be in touch with you about this matter.

Yours very truly,

*E. W. Loring*  
E. W. Loring, Manager  
Claim Department

ewl/fsf

REGISTERED NO. 28738

Value \$ 61 Spec. del'y fee \$

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Postmaster, By *[Signature]*

From *Attn: Cons. Sec. 35-66 Central PH Ar Western Drilling Co. Inc. 1613 Broadway New York 10019*

POD 10/11/61



THEODORE TUNIS  
REGIONAL SUPERVISOR

CLAIM DEPARTMENT  
AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY  
STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

SUITE 609  
3133 N. CENTRAL AVENUE  
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

#1-INSTRUCTIONS TO DELIVERING EMPLOYEE

☐ Deliver ONLY to addressee ☐ Show address where delivered

(Additional charges required for these services)

RETURN RECEIPT

Received the numbered article described on other side.

SIGNATURE OR NAME OF ADDRESSEE (must always be filled in)

*Western Drilling Co., Inc.*

SIGNATURE OF ADDRESSEE'S AGENT, IF ANY

*L. Naylor*

DATE DELIVERED *9/15/61*

ADDRESS WHERE DELIVERED (only if requested in item #1)

*[Signature]*

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☐ Deliver ONLY to addressee ☐ Show address where delivered

(Additional charges required for these services)

RETURN RECEIPT

Received the numbered article described on other side.

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*AETNA LIFE AFF'D. INS. COS.*

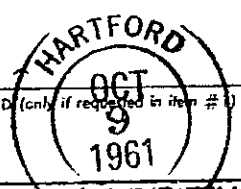
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*B. M. [Signature]*

DATE DELIVERED *10/11/61*

ADDRESS WHERE DELIVERED (only if requested in item #1)

*[Signature]*



OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of the Investigation of  
DRILLING PERMIT NO. 43  
issued to Western Drilling Company, Inc.)  
by the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
of the State of Arizona )

FORMAL NOTICE AND  
DEMAND

THE STATE OF ARIZONA TO:

The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company  
City of Hartford, State of Connecticut

I

You are hereby formally notified that certain alleged violations more specifically set forth in the attached affidavits have been committed under Drilling Permit No. 43.

II

Our official records presently show a current Bond issued by you indemnifying the State of Arizona in the penal sum of \$2,500 (twenty-five hundred dollars) against such violations.

III

Formal demand is hereby made for you to have said violations corrected or pay the penal sum of said Bond to the State of Arizona.

You, or your duly appointed representative, are respectfully requested to appear before the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Arizona at their regularly scheduled meeting to be held on October 25, 1961 at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon of that day at the Cock and Bull Room of the Motaurent, 609 West Hopi Drive, Holbrook, Arizona, and then and there inform the members of said commission as to the action taken by you to meet the above demand.

WITNESS, R. Keith Walden, Chairman of our said Commission at the Commission office, this 27th day of September, 1961.

R. Keith Walden  
Chairman, Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

Geologist, Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

Executive Secretary, Oil and Gas Conservation Comm.



OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of the Investigation of )  
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 DRILLING PERMIT NO. 43, )  
 )  
 issued to Western Drilling Company, Inc. ) REQUEST TO APPEAR  
 )  
 by the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission )  
 of the State of Arizona )

THE STATE OF ARIZONA to:

Western Drilling Company, Inc.  
1603 Broadway, Lubbock, Texas

WE COMMAND you or your duly authorized representative that all business and excuses being laid aside and for you or them to appear before the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Arizona at their August 23, 1961 meeting to be held at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon of that day at 3500 North Central Avenue, Suite 221, Phoenix, Arizona, to then and there testify and give evidence in the above referred investigation presently before said commission on your alleged violations of certain State Laws as set forth in the attached Affidavits; and that you or they produce at the time or place aforesaid now in your custody and control all evidence and writings concerning the premises.

And for failure to attend and comply with this request, the Commission will formally enter an Order holding you and your associates responsible in refusing to voluntarily resolve the alleged violations presently existing under Drilling Permit No. 43 and shall direct the proper State authorities to commence necessary proceedings and to take whatever further action against you and your associates as may be deemed appropriate under the premises to protect the interest of the people of this State.

WITNESS, Anthony T. Deddens, Chairman of said Oil and Gas Conservation Commission at the \_\_\_\_\_, in the \_\_\_\_\_ at the City of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1961.

*Richard T. Bedders*  
Chairman, Oil and Gas Conservation  
Commission

OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA

In the Matter of the Investigation of )  
DRILLING PERMIT NO. 43 )  
issued to Western Drilling Company, Inc., )  
by the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission )  
of the State of Arizona )

AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT  
OF REQUEST TO APPEAR

STATE OF ARIZONA )  
County of Maricopa ) ss

D. A. Jerome, being duly sworn, says:

I

That he is the Executive Secretary of the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Arizona, and that the files and records of this said commission are in his possession and custody as such Executive Secretary, and upon the request of said commission members he has carefully reviewed the files in the office pertaining to Drilling Permit No. 43, to ascertain whether any State Laws or the rules and regulations of said commission have been violated.

II

That said review showed that Drilling Permit No. 43 was granted to Western Drilling Company, inc., 1603 Broadway, Lubbock, Texas.

III

That said Drilling Permit No. 43 was issued upon the request of said permittee on July 23, 1957.

IV

That the review conducted by the affiant upon all available files of said Drilling Permit No. 43 has uncovered the following deficiencies as presently existing.

1. Surface pipe not cemented.
2. Well location marker loose.
3. Cellar not filled, boarded over.
4. Pits not filled or location cleaned.

V

That said permittee has provided the commission, as required by its regulations, a Bond made payable to the State of Arizona.

VI

That said Bond is currently in full force and effect and shows as surety the following: The Aetna Casualty and Surety Company.

VII

That said Bond provides in part as follows:

"NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of the foregoing obligation is such that if the Principal shall drill, case and plug said well drilled by said Principal in such manner as to prevent the escape of oil or gas from one stratum to another and to prevent the intrusion of water into an oil or gas stratum from a separate stratum, and to prevent the pollution of fresh water supplies by oil, gas or salt water and in such manner as to prevent waste, and shall make such reports to the Commissioner as are required by the Oil and Gas Conservation Act of 1951 by said Principal, and shall file the log and drilling record kept by said Principal within six (6) months from the time of the completion or abandonment of said well drilled for oil or gas and shall plug the same in the manner provided by the rules and regulations adopted by said Commissioner, then this obligation to be null and void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect."

VIII

That said deficiencies are in violation and contrary to the State Oil and Gas Conservation Commission laws and/or the rules and regulations of the said commission.

WHEREFORE, affiant prays that upon the members of said Commission satisfying themselves that the above enumerated violations do exist, to proceed immediately to

1. Request the said permittee and his associates to correct these violations and to give formal notice and make demand on said Bonding Company to correct said deficiencies in accordance with the provisions as provided in said Bond or pay the full face value set forth therein.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1961.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

My commission expires:  
\_\_\_\_\_

September 12, 1961

Mr. M. A. Shaw  
5335 Rockcliff Place  
Dallas 9, Texas

Colonial Homes  
Hobbs, New Mexico

Re: Investigation and Hearing before  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission,  
Permit No. 43, Western Drilling Company,  
Inc. - Valen Oil Company Gov. No. 1 Well,  
Sec. 31, T-38-N, R-5-W, Mohave County,  
Arizona, Torowap Block.

Dear Mr. Shaw:

We have received an "Affidavit, Request to Appear" and Formal Notice and Demand from The Oil & Gas Conservation Commission of the State of Arizona, which instruments say that the following deficiencies presently exist relative to the above captioned test well:

1. Surface pipe not cemented.
2. Well location marker loose.
3. Cellar not filled, boarded over.
4. Pits not filled or location cleaned.

The instruments require Western Drilling Company and Aetna Casualty and Surety Company to be and appear before the Commission at Phoenix, Arizona, at 9:30 A.M., September 27, 1961.

Mr. E. P. Campbell, who was one of the principal parties involved in this matter, died on May 9, 1961, and his file reflects the following:

3-29-57 - A contract was made with Valen-Dreyfuss Interests for the assignments of certain leases and the drilling of this test well.

7-18-57 - A contract was made with Aldridge and Stroud, Inc. to drill the well.

7-23-57 - Application was filed and Permit No. 43 issued covering the drilling of the well.

Mr. M. A. Shaw  
September 12, 1961  
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Mr. W. O. Davis, President, of Longview, Texas. The details are not  
reflected.

Our position must be that M. A. Shaw has the obligation, as far as  
we are concerned, to satisfy the Commission's requirements. This  
letter is to inform you of the foregoing in order that you may timely  
take such action as you find in order. We trust that you see the  
justice of our position in the matter.

Kindest regards,

*Jerome Chamberlain*  
Jerome Chamberlain  
Attorney for the Estate of E. P. Campbell,  
Deceased.

JC:so  
cc: Oil & Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
3500 N. Central Ave. - Suite 221  
Phoenix 12, Arizona

Mr. W. H. Pitts  
Aetna Casualty & Surety Company  
10th Floor - Corrigan Tower Building  
Dallas 1, Texas

Ebro Oil Company (Hortex Oil & Gas Company)  
Life of America Building  
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Mack Easley, Attorney  
P. O. Box 638  
Hobbs, New Mexico

Mr. M. A. Shaw  
September 12, 1961  
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Kindest regards,

*Jerome Chamberlain*  
Jerome Chamberlain  
Attorney for the Estate of E. P. Campbell,  
Deceased.

JC:so

cc: Oil & Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
3500 N. Central Ave. - Suite 221  
Phoenix 12, Arizona

Mr. W. N. Pitts  
Aetna Casualty & Surety Company  
10th Floor - Corrigan Tower Building  
Dallas 1, Texas

Ebro Oil Company (Nortex Oil & Gas Company)  
Life of America Building  
Dallas, Texas

Mr. Mack Masley, Attorney  
P. O. Box 638  
Hobbs, New Mexico

JEROME CHAMBERLAIN  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
718 TEXAS BANK BUILDING  
DALLAS 2, TEXAS



Oil & Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
3500 N. Central Ave. - Suite 221  
Phoenix 12, Arizona

DA 59404

May 5, 1960

Ebro Oil Company, Inc.  
Ebro Building  
Longview, Texas

Attn. - Mr. W. O. Davis, Jr.

Dear Mr. Davis:

With regard to your letter of April 27, we  
thank you for your letter and ask you to contact this  
office as soon as the subject well has been plugged.

Sincerely yours,

W. F. Maule  
Petr. Engr.

WFM:gk



(EBRO)  
EBRO OIL COMPANY, INC.  
Ebro Building  
LONGVIEW, TEXAS

W. O. DAVIS, JR.  
President  
BRUCE A. CUNNINGHAM  
Executive Vice President

April 27, 1960

P. O. BOX 2463  
PLAZA 9-4421

Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
3500 North Central  
Phoenix, Arizona

Attention: Mr. W.F. Maule

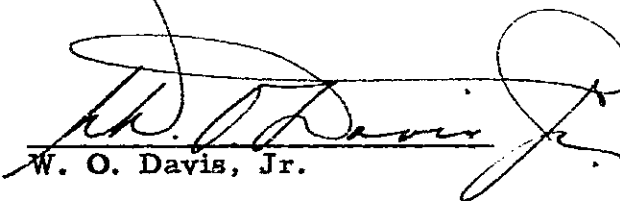
Dear Mr. Maule:

*Western Oil Co.* — This is in reply to your letter of April 5, 1960, concerning Valen-Federal #1 well, Section 35-38N-5W, Mohave County, Arizona. This property is owned by the Ebro Oil Company, Inc., Longview, Texas, and we assume responsibility for the four items covered in your letter.

We will attend to these matters as expeditiously as possible and will advise the Commission on completion.

Yours very truly,

EBRO OIL COMPANY, INC.

  
W. O. Davis, Jr.

WOD:jf

cc: Mr. E.P. Campbell, 1603 Broadway, Lubbock, Texas  
Aetna Casualty and Surety Company, 1651 Broadway, Lubbock, Texas.

**Western Drilling Company, Inc.**

1603 BROADWAY

OFFICE PHONE PD 2-0181

LUBBOCK, TEXAS

April 11, 1960

Oil and Gas Conservation Commission  
State of Arizona  
3500 N. Central - Suite 312  
Phoenix, Arizona

Attention: Mr. W. F. Maule, Petroleum Engineer

Gentlemen:

We have your letter of April 5, 1960, outlining the conditions at the Valen-Federal #1 Well, Mohave County, Arizona, and we enclose herewith a photocopy of our letter to Mr. M. A. Shaw, Dallas, Texas.

Mr. M. A. Shaw received an assignment to the well and other properties and assumed obligations for the drilling and plugging of this well.

We are aware that we are still liable to the Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, and we assure you that we will follow this through and get this work done.

Yours very truly,

WESTERN DRILLING COMPANY, INC.

By E. P. Campbell  
E. P. Campbell

so  
Encl.

cc: Aetna Casualty & Surety Co.  
c/o Mr. Lester Grimes  
1651 Broadway  
Lubbock, Texas

April 11, 1960

Mr. M. A. Shaw  
5335 Rock Cliff  
Dallas 9, Texas

Re: Valon-Federal #1 Well  
Hobbs County, Arizona

Dear Mr. Shaw:

We enclose a copy of a letter dated April 5, 1960, just received from the Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, State of Arizona. This letter again informs us of the conditions at the above mentioned well which must be corrected.

If you will refer to your Agreement dated August 30, 1957, you will find that you assumed all of the obligations imposed upon Western Drilling Company, Inc. under and by virtue of the original Drilling Contract dated July 18, 1957. You further agreed to indemnify and hold harmless Western Drilling Company, Inc. from all liability, etc.

It is very necessary that this work be completed as soon as it is practical, and we request that you advise us of your plans to have this work done.

Yours very truly,

WESTERN DRILLING COMPANY, INC.

By E. P. Campbell

cc  
Encl.

cc: Mr. M. A. Shaw  
Hobbs, New Mexico

Acton Casualty & Surety Co.  
c/o Mr. Lester Grimes  
1651 Broadway  
Lubbock, Texas

XXXXXXXXXXXX

April 5, 1960

Anthony T. Deddens  
Member

Mr. E. P. Campbell  
WESTERN DRILLING COMPANY INC.  
902 Lubbock National Bank Bldg.  
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Mr. Campbell:

I visited the location of your Valen-Federal #1 Well, Sec. 35 - 38 N - 5 W, in Mohave County, Arizona, on April 2nd and pursuant to our letter of February 25th, wish to inform you of the following conditions at the well, which must be corrected:

1. Surface pipe not cemented. I dropped a piece of clay down the backside a considerable distance. You indicate 60' of 13 3/8" casing in hole.
2. Well location marker loose.
3. Cellar not filled, boarded over.
4. Pits not filled or location cleaned.

Mr. Ryan, former supervisor for the Oil and Gas Commission, wrote you regarding this well October 14, 1958. We find no evidence of your answer.

What are your plans for this well? In the event you do not take action, in this matter, it will be necessary for the Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission to ask forfeiture of your bond.

Yours very truly,

W. F. Maule,  
Petroleum Engineer

WFM:HEP

cc: Aetna Casualty & Surety Company

cc: Mr. P. T. McGrath

Form letter sent February 25, 1960, by instructions  
of Petroleum Engineer, W.F. Maule

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P. O. Box 965  
Farmington, New Mexico

Oct. 27, 1958

Western Drilling Co., Inc.  
902 Lubbock National Bank Bldg.  
Lubbock, Texas

Re: Arizona 015942

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your No. 1 Gov't well, located in the SE 1/4 sec. 31, T. 38 N., R. 5 W., Mohave County, Arizona. The State of Arizona has advised this office that there is a possibility that you may deepen the well. They also advised that the marker pipe was not cemented solidly into a surface plug and the pit and cellar have not been filled.

Please advise this office of the status of the well. If you have plugged the well, please submit three copies of "Subsequent Report of Abandonment" showing exact location and amount of cement in each plug. This office will not approve abandonment of the well until the location has been inspected and a permanent marker installed.

If you deepen the well, approval should be obtained from this office.

Very truly yours,  
(Orig. Sgd.) J. W. Long

Jerry W. Long  
Acting District Engineer

JWLongest  
cc - Arizona State Department  
Attn: Mr. Phil Johnson



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Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D.C.

Very truly yours,

Enclosed

Enclosed is a copy of a letterhead memorandum dated May 1, 1942, from the New York Office to the Bureau, New York, New York, dated May 1, 1942, captioned "Information regarding the activities of the German spy ring in New York City, New York, and vicinity." The letterhead memorandum is being forwarded to you for your information and for your use in the New York Office.

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If you desire the letterhead memorandum to be placed in the file of the New York Office, please so indicate.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

John Edgar Hoover  
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

October 15, 1958

Mr. P. T. McGrath  
District Engineer  
U. S. Geological Survey  
Farmington, New Mexico

Dear Phil:

Sorry to have missed you on my recent trip to Farmington. I thought you would be interested in the Federal wells in Mohave County. The Tony Lyons well in Section 35, Township 39 North, Range 6 West has been plugged and abandoned and a marker set. The location is cleared and dressed. There were still two butane tanks on the location, but I'm sure they will be picked up soon. The well is located in close to the foot of the mesa in "badland country" and rather inaccessible. I understand the State is going to release their bond.

The Western Drilling, located in Section 31, Township 38 North, Range 5 West is another story. According to your files, you have received from 9-330 log and history of well and also subsequent report of abandonment. The State has had no information concerning the abandonment of this well. In fact, the story we get is that they are going to go back in and drill deeper. In field checking this well, I found that the location was cleared and a marker had been set, but I am very suspicious about their plugging. The pit or cellar around the well was not filled, just boarded over. The marker pipe looked like it was sticking through a metal cap on the casing. I took a hold on the marker pipe and was able to shake it, so I am very doubtful about the surface plug which makes me doubtful about the other plugs. The mud pits have not been filled. We have written Western to see if we can get a statement of status on this well. If we get any new dope, we will let you know.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

Phillip W. Johnson,  
Geologist



October 14, 1958

Western Drilling Company, Inc.,  
902 Lubbock National Bank Bldg.,  
Lubbock, Texas

Attention: E. P. Campbell

Dear Mr. Campbell:

This is in regard to your Valen-Federal #1 well in Section 31, Township 38 North, Range 5 West, Mohave County, Arizona.

A routine swing by our geologist last week to the well site revealed that the site was abandoned and a pipe marker had been loosely placed in the hole. Inquiry into the status of the well has brought out two conflicting stories: one, that your firm intends to go back in for deepening and two, that a P&A report had been filed with the U.S.G.S. field office at Farmington by Virgil Haas, your tool pusher.

If the latter is the true status, we are taking this opportunity to remind you of your obligation under the conditioning of your bond to furnish all records and reports to this office, including in particular, those pertinent to plugging and abandonment. We are in receipt of cutting samples down to 4662', the T.D., as reported by Mr. Cloyd Swapp.

An early clarification of the status of the well will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

STATE LAND COMMISSIONER

By: Frederick C. Ryan,  
Supervisor,  
Oil and Gas Conservation

August 22, 1957

Mr. E. P. Campbell  
Western Drilling Company, Inc.,  
902 Lubbock National Bank Bldg.,  
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Mr. Campbell:                      Re: Western Drilling Co.-Valen Federal #1 Well

I am writing to you in order to acquaint you with the collection of sample cuttings from all oil test wells drilled in Arizona and to request your cooperation in helping us to carry out this program.

Under the law it is mandatory that samples of cuttings of all oil test wells, as well as logs and other pertinent information be filed with the State Land Commissioner within six months after completion or abandonment. The over-all policy of the collection and preservation of samples has been a joint venture between the State Land Department, the U. S. Geological Survey, Groundwater Branch, Arizona Bureau of Mines and the Museum of Northern Arizona. Under this program samples of all types of wells are collected and cut two or three ways depending upon the type and location of the well. All oil test wells in the northern part of the State (plateau regional) are cut three ways, and all oil test wells in the southern part are cut two ways.

Inasmuch as your test well is in the northern part of the State, we will require enough samples in order that it can be cut three ways. One sample for the loan library at the State Land Department, one sample for the permanent library at the Arizona Bureau of Mines, Tucson, Arizona, and one sample for the Research Center, Museum of Northern Arizona at Flagstaff, Arizona.

I presume that you will be collecting samples at 10' intervals, or less, and that possibly you will also do some coring. We would appreciate getting core chips samples and copies of whatever logs you run. If we can be of any further service, please feel free to call on us.

Very truly yours,

STATE LAND DEPARTMENT

Phillip W. Johnson,  
Geologist

## Arizona Oil

# Western-Valen Drills Series Of Test Wells

Spudded in and drilled by table rig to about 300 feet is the newest wildcat test of possible oil structures in Arizona's "strip country," that area north of Grand Canyon in Mohave County.

Western Drilling-Valen Oil well, Toroweap No. 1, which is to go to 5,000 feet, is a test of the Toroweap structure about 30 miles southwest of Fredonia.

It is slated as the first of four tests by Western-Valen, which will range from the Toroweap westward to the Antelope structures.

In the meantime, three other strip-country tests are under way, two in the Toroweap and one in the Antelope. Deepest is not yet in the expected producing structure. One of the three, which spent two weeks fishing for lost tools, is now reported by-passing the tool choked hole and prepared to case if caveins or troubles encountered.

### Oil Firms Drill On State Border

Last week major oil companies and the larger independents, were reported to have 65 drilling operations under way in the Paradox Basin of Southeastern Utah.

That basin is believed to extend far into Arizona.

Petroleum journals, which follow activities of the industry, report that by year-end there will be at least 1,000 drilling tests in the Four Corners area which includes parts of Arizona, Utah, Colorado, and New Mexico.

Geologists say that this pro-

posed drilling will amount to 1,000 new wells a year.

### 1,200-Mile Gas Line Proposed By Firm

Overtures have been made to Federal Power Commission by Trans-Western Pipe Line Co., for authorization to construct a 1,200-mile gas line from Four Corners across northern Arizona and the strip country into California.

Reports are that Trans-Western is controlled by Monterrey Oil Co., California, and Warren Petroleum Co., Texas, both independents. The line would furnish a marketing outlet for any gas produced in commercial quantity.

Arizona's four potentially productive wells in the Four Corners area are of oil-gas mixture, with distillate accruing under pressure as gas is released.

Four Corners Pipeline Co.'s oil line to the West Coast, now being built at a cost of \$55 million, will be an outlet for petroleum and distillate only.

The Trans-Western proposal is to furnish an outlet for gas.

### Arizona Breaks Wildcat Record

If averages mean anything, Arizona led the world last year in the percentage of producing wells from wildcat tests.

Of four wildcats drilled, two were developed into commercial producers: Hancock Oil and El Paso Natural Gas Co., both in Four Corners.

A third in Four Corners, by Franco Western, was reported dry.

The fourth test, by Falcon Seaboard-Valen Oil in northern Mohave County, encountered high porosity.

This well is expected to compare favorably with the average of only 10 per cent.

July 1, 1958

Arizona Republic, Phoenix, Arizona

## Dallas Oil Firm Gets Share Of Valen Acres

Frankfort Oil Co. of Dallas, Tex., has acquired a one-half undivided interest in approximately 36,000 acres of oil and gas leases held by Valen Oil & Minerals Corp. in northern Mohave County and Kane County, Utah.

The lease area includes properties on the Antelope Springs anticlines and the Toroweap structures of this state's northwestern portion and Utah's southwestern area south of the Navajo Reservation in northeast Arizona.

**BULK** Of the lease deal is between Ranges 5 to 9 West and Townships 37 to 42 North, in Arizona. Only a small portion is in Utah. The lease deal with Frankfort was one of the largest to be consummated recently in Arizona. Considerations involved were not announced by Bennett.

Frankfort Oil is a division of Joseph E. Seagram & Son, Inc., with headquarters in the Davis Building, Dallas.

Van D. Bennett, president of Valen which pioneered in exploration drilling in Northwest Arizona, said the entry of Frankfort Oil in Arizona activities "should result in accelerated exploration."

Bennett indicated that his firm has plans for exploratory drilling of several wells in Mohave County and in Navajo County.

VALEN OIL AND MINERALS CORPORATION

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July 24, 1957

HEARD BUILDING  
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

State Land Office  
Capital Annex Building  
Phoenix, Arizona

Attention: Mr. Duncan

Gentlemen:

You will find attached a certified copy of the surveyed plat showing the location for the Western Drilg. Co. - Valen Oil Co. Government No. 1 oil and gas test which is to be drilled as indicated in Section 31, T 38 N, R 5 W, Mohave County, Arizona.

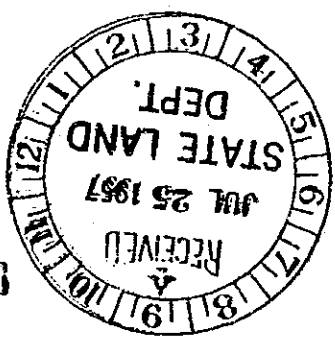
You will disregard the alternate well site location shown in the southeast of the southeast which will not be considered at this time.

Yours very truly,



Van D. Bennett  
President

VDB:rm  
Enclosure  
cc: E. P. Campbell



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July 24, 1957

Mr. E. P. Campbell  
Western Drilling Company, Inc.  
902 Lubbock National Bank Bldg.  
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Mr. Campbell:

Enclosed herewith please find your approved  
Notice of Intention to Drill New Well. This  
has been signed by Mr. Obed M. Lassen, State  
Land Commissioner.

It is hoped this will meet with your entire  
approval.

Yours very truly,

John W. Laubacher, Supervisor  
Leasing & Accounting Division

bka.  
enc.

**THE AETNA CASUALTY AND SURETY COMPANY**  
with which has been merged THE AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT  
Affiliates: AETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY • THE STANDARD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY  
HARTFORD 15, CONNECTICUT

PHOENIX OFFICE  
17 LUHR'S ARCADE  
ALPINE 8-7823

PHOENIX, ARIZONA

July 17th, 1957

Arizona State Land Dept.  
Oil and Gas Conservation Division  
Capitol Annex  
Phoenix, Arizona.

In re: Bond for drilling oil or gas well  
Western Drilling Company, Inc.  
Lubbock, Texas.

Gentlemen:

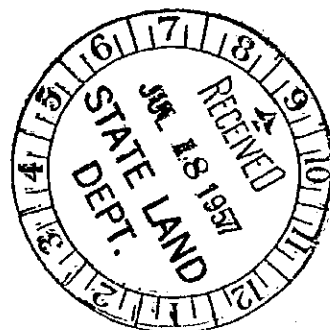
Enclosed herewith please find bond in amount of \$2500 executed in  
behalf of the above captioned principal.

We trust you will find the enclosed in order.

Very truly yours,

*A. H. Cawledge*  
Supt. Agency Dept.

RHC/h



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OFFICE OF  
State Land Department  
STATE OF ARIZONA  
Phoenix, Arizona

OBER M. LASSEN  
STATE LAND COMMISSIONER

July 15, 1957

Mr. James A. Ellis, Attorney  
Western Drilling Company, Inc.,  
902 Lubbock Nat'l Bank Bldg.,  
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Mr. Ellis:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 12th in which was inclosed the necessary documents relative to the proposed well to be drilled in Section 31, Township 38 North, Range 5 West, Mohave County, Arizona.

We are inclosing your receipt in the amount of \$25.00 and for which we wish to thank you. We note that the bond is to be forwarded by the Aetna Insurance and Casualty Company and as soon as it is received and approval granted on your proposed casing program, we will then be in a position to send your copy of the permit for your files.

Mr. Phillip W. Johnson will be writing to you in order to acquaint you with the collection of samples and the submission of logs, electric or otherwise.

Very truly yours,

STATE LAND DEPARTMENT

Louis C. Duncan, Manager

*Western Drilling - Valer Oil - Fed #1*

RECEIVED  
JUL 17 1957

WATER RESOURCES DIVISION  
U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY  
GROUND WATER BRANCH

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cc - P. W. Johnson

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# WESTERN UNION

## TELEGRAM

W. P. MARSHALL, PRESIDENT

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CAPITOL ANNEX OIL & GAS CONSERVATION DIV

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WE ARE EXECUTING A \$2,500 BOND FOR DRILLING OIL OR GAS.  
WELLS IN YOUR FAVOR FOR WESTERN DRILLING CO., LUBBOCK,  
TEXAS EFFECTIVE JULY 12, 1957=

MARLIN L PATTERSON THE AETNA CASUALTY AND  
SURETY CO=

**Western Drilling Company, Inc.**

902 LUBBOCK NATL. BANK BLDG. OFFICE PHONE PD 2-0181

LUBBOCK, TEXAS

July 12, 1957

State Land Department  
State of Arizona  
Oil and Gas Conservation Division  
Phoenix, Arizona

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith are forms OG 50 and OG 51, dated July 12, 1957, executed by Western Drilling Company, Inc., Lubbock, Texas, pertaining to the drilling of Western Drilling Company, Inc. and Valen Oil Company's No. 1 Government in Mohave County, Arizona. The bond will be forwarded by Aetna Insurance and Casualty Company.

Trusting that this application is satisfactory, we are

Yours very truly,

WESTERN DRILLING COMPANY, INC.

BY:

*James A. Ellis*  
James A. Ellis, Attorney

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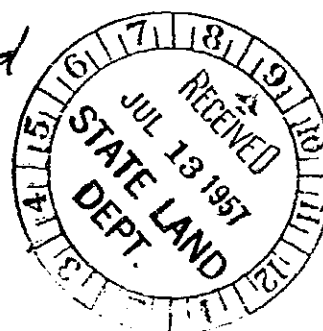
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*Check — \$25.00 Enclosed*

*# 1925*

*By Com Hall, Western Drilling*



July 12, 1957

Mr. James A. Ellis, Attorney  
Western Drilling Company  
Lubbock, Texas

Dear Mr. Ellis:

In compliance with your telephone request, we are inclosing three copies of our O&G form 51, which are to be filled out and returned to this office for approval.

Upon receipt of these forms, together with the fee in the amount of \$25.00 to cover the proposed intention to drill a new well, and bond in the amount of \$2,500, we will then be in a position to issue the permit to drill. We understand these documents will cover your proposed well in Section 31, Township 38 North, Range 5 West, Mohave County, Arizona.

If we can be of further assistance, please feel free to call us at any time.

Very truly yours,

STATE LAND DEPARTMENT

Louis C. Duncan,  
Manager

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Encl. (3)  
cc - P. W. Johnson

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